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The amendment of November 12, 2009 has been entered.

The objection to the drawings is withdrawn. The rejections under §112 are withdrawn.

The objection to the specification for not containing an accurate description of Figure 4 is maintained. In the alternative, Figure 4 may be cancelled.

Applicant's arguments filed November 12, 2009 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Applicant reproduces the Cerny abstract and argues that the Prior Art of Figure 1 relates to the opposite end of a fuel injector from that disclosed in Cerny. The Examiner is unable to understand this argument. The conical sealing face and analogous structures between Cerny and Figure 1 have been pointed out. The adjectival recitation "cable" is not defined in the specification and does not distinguish over the art. All of the limitations recited in the claims are addressed in the rejection and it is still considered proper.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to John Fox whose telephone number is 571-272-4912. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Saturday from 10am-6pm (Hoteling Program).

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